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LINKING OF MADARSAS WITH OPEN SCHOOLING
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Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has included Bihar in the first phase of the scheme of linking Madarsas with open school;

(b) if so,the names of the districts in Bihar which have been covered under this scheme;

(c) whether the curricula of Madarsas will be changed under this scheme; and

(d) if so,the details thereof?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT(SHRI M.A.A. FATMI)

(a)to(d) The erstwhile scheme for madrassa modernization has been revamped as `The Scheme for Providing Quality Education in Madrassas (SPQEM)` for the XIth Plan period under which madrassas volunteering for the opportunity to acquire education comparable to the national education system could seek linkages with the National Institute of Open Schooling(NIOS) for subjects like science, mathematics,social studies,languages etc.

State Governments would need to send proposals for madrassas to be assisted,as per the guidelines of the revamped scheme.